## Kindergarten

A truly world-class pre-school, right here in Nepal!





## WHO ARE WE?

Ullens Kindergarten is an integral part of Ullens School. It purposefully prepares its students to join grade-I at Ullens School. Both Ullens School and Ullens Kindergarten are run by the Ullens Education Foundation, a non-profit institution established in 2006.

# WHAT DO WE OFFER?





- A progressive, play-based early childhood education program for 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> - 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year-olds
- Ample green space to explore and play for children and extraordinarily wellequipped classrooms
- A constructivist teaching approach drawing inspiration from best practices worldwide, particularly from Bank Street College's Developmental-Interaction Approach and Caltech's science-based curriculum
- An emergent curriculum of both planned and spontaneous activities by an outstanding team of dedicated early childhood teachers
- A variety of choices for play designed to encourage physical skills, cognitive learning, literacy acquisition, problem solving and independent thought





## WHAT DO WE KNOW?

We know that children learn best when:

- Learning is child-centered: new learning is connected to and built upon students' prior experience and knowledge.
- Learning is active: students and teachers are engaged with real-life experiences and hands-on activities that help them construct their own understandings.
- Learning engages children in critical and creative thinking: students deepen their understanding through scientific inquiry, problem solving, making connections, drawing logical conclusions, and articulating their own ideas.
- Learning is a creative and dynamic process: content reaches across multiple disciplines and developmental domains giving children authentic and relevant opportunities to engage with the world around them.





## WHAT ARE OUR GOALS?



- Our goal is to make learning interactive, meaningful and fun.
- Our goal is to ensure that all of the six developmental needs of children (personal and social, emotional, cognitive, language and communication, physical, and creative) are met through carefully designed explorations that are derived from and built upon the needs and interests of children.
- Our goal is to help children develop the dispositions that enhance learning: curiosity, tenacity, collaboration, creativity, and social consciousness.





#### HOW WILL WE GO ABOUT ACHIEVING OUR GOALS?

Above all, Ullens Kindergarten is a place of reflective, intentional teaching and learning. Our interest in research, generated from within our school as well as from academia, is the foundation of our practice. Through our ongoing reflective process, our understandings evolve and deepen. In collaboration with teachers, children, parents and the community, we are committed to the promise of all children.







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